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This annotated bibliography is intended to assist the on-site reader in the use of the National Library of Medicine collection. It represents a highly selective list of reference materials which will introduce the reader who is unfamiliar with the subject to general information sources in the field. It is not intended as a comprehensive treatment of the subject suitable for the advanced researcher. It includes a selection of abstracts, indexes, bibliographies, textbooks, journals, directories and other reference sources pertinent to the field. With few exceptions materials contained herein are available in the Reference Collection housed in the main Reading Room.

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## INTRODUCTION

This ready reference guide is highly selective. It is intended to help persons find information quickly using standard sources. Except when noted, the titles are basic or classic. Most of the titles are located in the general Reading Room, as indicated by "Ref" over the call number. The few entries that do not have this designation are in the general collection stacks and may be requested through the Reader Service Desk.

It must be emphasized that scholars, historical researchers, and others who need more than a ready reference collection should consult the History of Medicine Division and plan to use its collections. For information about the collection and services of the History of Medicine Division, telephone 496-5405 between 8:30 A.M. and 4:45 P.M., Monday through Friday.

The National Library of Medicine's resources for historical scholarship in the medical and related sciences are among the richest in the world. These are housed and maintained by the History of Medicine Division. They include all of the Library's material printed before 1871 plus thousands of later pamphlets and dissertations, totaling close to 500,000 pieces. The Division's collections also include modern manuscripts, numbering nearly 1,000,000 items and some oral history memoirs. An extensive collection of prints and photographs, containing some 75,000 items, are also housed in the History of Medicine Division.





## I. GUIDES TO RESOURCES AND/OR OVERALL LITERATURE

Ref Colville-Stewart, Sandra. History sources. In: Roper,  
ZWB Fred W., and Jo A. Boorkman. INTRODUCTION TO REFERENCE  
100 SOURCES IN THE HEALTH SCIENCES. Chicago, Medical Library  
R784i Association, 1980, p. 215-233.  
1980

Listing and discussion of selected history tools, i.e. dictionaries and encyclopedias, pharmacopeias, biographical dictionaries, bibliographies, books, classic sources, and index to illustrations. Contains a bibliography of readings.

Ref Gaskell, E. Historical, biographical and bibliographic  
ZWB sources. In: INFORMATION SOURCES IN THE MEDICAL  
100 SCIENCES. Edited by L. T. Morton and S. Godbolt.  
I43 3rd ed. London, Butterworth, 1984, p. 463-490.  
1984

Lists in narrative form basic and/or recent sources in history, biography, bibliography, library catalogs, encyclopedias and dictionaries, indexes to the historical literature, readings, reprints and facsimiles, and periodicals. Includes tools in English and foreign languages.

Ref History of medicine. In: MEDICAL REFERENCE WORKS, 1679-  
W1 1966; A SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY. Edited by John B. Blake  
ME372 and Charles Roos. Chicago, Medical Library Association,  
no. 3 1967, p. 50-91.  
1967

Classic selected listing arranged by kinds of source by historical periods, by national and special groups, and by special topics. Elsewhere in the book, subject histories are listed under medical and related specialties. Brief annotations.

Ref INFORMATION SOURCES IN THE HISTORY OF SCIENCE AND MEDICINE  
WZ Edited by Pietro Corsi and Paul Weindling. London,  
40 Butterworth Scientific, 1983. 531 p.  
I43  
1983

"The aim of the present survey of literature, methods and concepts is to provide a series of succinct assessments of important areas of the history of science and medicine. . . to produce a reference work with ready accessible bibliographical and historical information." Twenty-three contributed chapters deal with special topics, e. g., one on the historiography of medicine and another on the history of American medicine and science. Lengthy bibliographies throughout. Index.



## II. ABSTRACTS AND INDEXES

## A. Current

- Ref BIBLIOGRAPHY OF THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE. Bethesda,  
ZWZ Maryland, U. S. National Library of Medicine, no. 1,  
40 1965- . Annual, with quinquennial cumulations.  
B582
- Selected books, chapters, congresses, and journal articles, arranged by biographies, subjects, and authors. "Focuses on the history of medicine and its related sciences, professions, and institutions." For the most part, excludes general history and the philosophy of science. Covers all chronological periods and all geographical areas. Although there is substantial overlap with NLM's INDEX MEDICUS and CURRENT CATALOG, many references also come from various other medical and nonmedical sources.
- Ref CURRENT WORK IN THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE. London, Wellcome  
ZWZ Historical Medical Library, no. 1, 1954- . Quarterly.  
40  
C976
- References to journal articles arranged by subjects, with an author index. International coverage. Contains a list of new books. Indexed through 1977 in Wellcome's cumulated eighteen-volume SUBJECT CATALOGUE OF THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE AND RELATED SCIENCES (available only in the History of Medicine Division).
- Ref INDEX MEDICUS. Bethesda, Maryland, U. S. National Library  
ZW of Medicine, v. 1, 1960- . Monthly, with annual  
1 cumulations (CUMULATED INDEX MEDICUS).  
I384
- Subject and author listings of articles from approximately 2,600 selected biomedical journals from all over the world. Contains a separate section on medical reviews.
- Ref National Library of Medicine. NATIONAL LIBRARY  
Z OF MEDICINE CURRENT CATALOG. Bethesda, Maryland,  
675.M4V National Library of Medicine, 1966- .  
U578nc Quarterly, with annual and quinquennial cumulations.
- Present-day successor to INDEX-CATALOGUE OF THE LIBRARY OF THE SURGEON GENERAL'S OFFICE. Subject and author listings of monographs and serials cataloged by NLM.

## II. ABSTRACTS AND INDEXES

### B. Retrospective

- Ref CURRENT LIST OF MEDICAL LITERATURE. Washington, District of Columbia,  
ZW v. 1-36, 1941-1959.  
1
- C969 Various publishers. Contains register of articles (arranged as tables of contents from selected journals), and subject and author indexes. The indexes refer to the item number of each article. Between 1957-1959, this title is the only existing major medical index. A current index at the time of publication.
- Ref INDEX-CATALOGUE OF THE LIBRARY OF THE SURGEON GENERAL'S  
Z OFFICE. Washington, District of Columbia, Government Printing  
675.M4 Office, series 1, v. 1-16, 1880-1895; series 2, v. 1-21,  
I38 1896-1916; series 3, v. 1-10, 1918-1932; series 4, v. 1-11  
(Mh-Mn), 1936-1955; series 5, v. 1-3 (v. 1, authors;  
v. 2-3, subjects), 1959-1961.
- Alphabetical catalog to books, pamphlets, theses, and journal articles covering world medical literature from the earliest times through 1950. Series 5 contains primarily references to monographs received in NLM and its predecessors from 1927 through 1950. A retrospective index at the time of publication.
- Ref INDEX MEDICUS; A QUARTERLY CLASSIFIED RECORD OF THE CURRENT  
ZW MEDICAL LITERATURE OF THE WORLD. Washington, District of Columbia,  
1 series 1, v. 1-21, 1879-1899; series 2, v. 1-18, 1903-  
I383 1920; series 3, v. 1-6(5), 1921-1927.
- Various publishers, but published by Carnegie Institution of Washington between 1903-1927. "From 1879 to 1927 the INDEX was a standard current bibliography of medicine, covering publications in all principal languages and including periodicals and other analytical entries as well as books, pamphlets, and theses."
- Ref Miller, Genevieve, editor. BIBLIOGRAPHY OF THE HISTORY OF  
ZW MEDICINE OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA, 1939-1960.  
70 Baltimore, Johns Hopkins Press, 1964. 428 p.  
AA1
- M6b Cumulation of annual lists that appeared in the BULLETIN OF  
1939-60 THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE between 1940 and 1961. Contains a list of journals cited. Detailed table of contents. Author index.



- Ref  
ZW  
1  
Q3
- QUARTERLY CUMULATIVE INDEX MEDICUS. Chicago, American Medical Association, v. 1-60, 1927-1956.
- Alphabetical listing of authors and subjects. Includes foreign-language literature. Contains lists of journals indexed and new books published. A current index at the time of publication.
- Ref  
ZW  
1  
Q4
- QUARTERLY CUMULATIVE INDEX TO CURRENT MEDICAL LITERATURE. Chicago, American Medical Association, v. 1-12, 1916-1926.
- Alphabetical listing of authors and subjects. Includes foreign-language literature. Intended for the general practitioner. Contains lists of new books published, journals indexed, and government publications. A current index at the time of publication.

### III. BIBLIOGRAPHIES

#### A. General

Ref Ash, Lee, and Michael A. Murray, compilers. SERIAL  
ZWB PUBLICATIONS CONTAINING MEDICINE CLASSICS: AN INDEX  
100 TO CITATIONS IN GARRISON/MORTON (3D EDITION, 1970).  
G242m 2nd ed., rev. and enl. Bethany, Connecticut, The Antiquarium,  
Index 1979. 169 p.

Approximately 900 serials listed alphabetically by titles, with bibliographical information for significant entries indicated. Many cross references.

Ref Garrison, Fielding H. A MEDICAL BIBLIOGRAPHY (GARRISON AND  
ZWB MORTON): AN ANNOTATED CHECK-LIST OF TEXTS ILLUSTRATING  
100 THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE. 4th ed. by Leslie T. Morton.  
G242m Aldershot, England, Gower Publishing Co., 1983.  
1983 1,000 p.

Contains 7,830 entries to references and original sources that represent the most important contributions to the development of medicine. Classified arrangement. Each entry gives author, dates, bibliographical information, and brief annotation. Personal name and subject indexes.

### III. BIBLIOGRAPHIES

#### B. Specific Areas

The following bibliographies are given as a representative selection of references in the history of various subject fields.

- |                                    |   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Ref<br>ZWU<br>21<br>B725h<br>1977  | Boquist, Constance, and Jeannette V. Haase. AN HISTORICAL REVIEW OF WOMEN IN DENTISTRY. Rockville, Maryland, U. S. Public Health Service, Health Resources Opportunity, 1977. 107 p.<br><br>Contains 263 references to journal articles published in the United States, Great Britain, and Canada; also includes some articles from popular journals. Almost two-thirds of the references were selected for annotations and arranged chronologically into six time periods covering 1860-1976. Sources were MEDLARS, ERIC, and searches of specific books and journals. Entry gives bibliographical information and lengthy abstract. No index. |
| Ref<br>ZWB<br>720<br>D262h<br>1975 | Davis, Lenwood G. THE HISTORY OF SELECTED DISEASES IN THE BLACK COMMUNITY: A WORKING BIBLIOGRAPHY. Monticello, Illinois, Council of Planning Librarians, 1976, c1975. 28 p.<br><br>Over 400 selected references to books and journal articles published in the United States during 1831-1974. Alphabetical arrangement by authors in separate lists of books and articles. Entry gives bibliographical information. No index.  |
| Ref<br>ZWZ<br>313<br>G465d<br>1962 | Gilbert, Judson B. DISEASE AND DESTINY; A BIBLIOGRAPHY OF MEDICAL REFERENCES TO THE FAMOUS. With additions and an introduction by Gordon E. Mestler. London, Dawsons of Pall Mall, 1962. 535 p.<br><br>Alphabetical listing by names of famous persons in history, the humanities, and the arts and sciences. Publications date from approximately 1600 to 1950, with selected references to 1961. The introduction by Mestler is notable in medical-biographical writing.  |



- Ref THE HISTORY OF NURSING; AN INDEX TO THE MICROFICHE COLLECTION.  
ZWO Ann Arbor, Michigan, University Microfilms International,  
11.1 1983-  
H673  
1983 Contains the holdings of the Adelaide Nutting  
Historical Nursing Collection, Teachers College,  
Columbia University. Covers titles that range  
from monographic literature to newspaper items.  
Intended for nursing students and researchers in the  
history of medicine, public health, hospital  
administration, and women's studies. Arranged by  
authors/titles, subjects, and fiche numbers. Author/title  
section contains full bibliographical information and  
miscellaneous notes.
- Ref THE McDOWELL SERIES OF PLASTIC SURGICAL INDEXES. Edited  
ZWO by Frank McDowell. Baltimore, Williams and Wilkins,  
600 1977-1981. 5 v.  
M138  
1977 THE ZEIS INDEX AND HISTORY OF PLASTIC SURGERY, 900  
B. C.-1863 A. D., v. 1  
THE PATTERSON INDEX OF PLASTIC SURGERY, 1864 A. D.  
to 1920 A. D., v. 2  
THE LEUZ INDEX OF PLASTIC SURGERY, 1921 A. D. to  
1946 A. D., v. 3  
THE GREAT INDEX OF PLASTIC SURGERY, 1946 A. D. to  
1971 A. D., v. 4  
THE HONOLULU INDEX OF PLASTIC SURGERY, 1971 A. D.  
to 1976 A. D., v. 5
- "A master key to all the research that has ever been  
done, and all the knowledge that has been accumulated,  
in our field." Covers plastic surgical literature from  
earliest times to 1976. The ZEIS INDEX AND HISTORY OF  
PLASTIC SURGERY was translated from German.
- Ref Nemec, Jaroslav. INTERNATIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY OF THE HISTORY  
ZW OF LEGAL MEDICINE. Bethesda, Maryland, U. S. National  
611 Library of Medicine, 1974. 224 p.  
N434i  
1974 Contains 1,165 annotated references, most of which are  
located in the National Library of Medicine. Covers  
monographic literature (also chapters and parts),  
journal articles, and dissertations. Entries cover  
twenty-six languages and date from the sixteenth  
century to the present. Most titles are given in the  
original language. Alphabetical arrangement by  
authors. Subject index.

- Ref        Watson, Robert I. THE HISTORY OF PSYCHOLOGY AND THE  
Z            BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES: A BIBLIOGRAPHIC GUIDE. New  
7201        York, Springer Pub. Co., 1978. 241 p.  
W341h  
1978        Approximately 800 titles cited as general references  
and historical accounts, as well as literature  
dealing with methods of historical research,  
historiographic fields, and historiographic theories.  
Covers psychology, philosophy, science, biology,  
medicine (with various specialized fields), psychiatry  
and psychoanalysis, anthropology, sociology, and  
education. Each entry gives bibliographic information  
and annotation. No index.
- Ref        Yale University. School of Nursing. Index Staff.  
ZWY        NURSING STUDIES INDEX; AN ANNOTATED GUIDE TO REPORTED  
100        STUDIES, RESEARCH METHODS, AND HISTORICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL  
Y16n        MATERIALS IN PERIODICALS, BOOKS, AND PAMPHLETS PUBLISHED IN  
1900-59    ENGLISH. Prepared by Yale University School of Nursing Index  
Staff, under the direction of Virginia Henderson. Philadelphia,  
Lippincott, 1963-1972. 4 v.
- International, national, regional, and local nursing  
journals searched, as well as selected journals in  
related fields, such as public health. Unpublished  
masters' theses not covered. Alphabetical subject  
arrangement of entries. Many cross references.  
Author index.

## IV. MEDICAL BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Ref Adams, Scott. MEDICAL BIBLIOGRAPHY IN AN AGE OF DISCONTINUITY.  
ZWB Chicago, Medical Library Association, 1981. 224 p.  
100  
A217m  
1981 Sketches "the course of medical bibliography in relation to the political, social, scientific, and technological changes in the United States that have influenced its directions and forms." Covers the post-World War II period to the present. Chapter references. Index.
- Ref Brodman, Estelle. THE DEVELOPMENT OF MEDICAL BIBLIOGRAPHY.  
ZWB [Baltimore], Medical Library Association, 1954. 226 p.  
100  
B864d  
1954 Traces the development of medical bibliography through five chapters dealing with the beginnings, bibliographic technique in the seventeenth century, individual bibliographers, cooperative bibliography, and the present situation. Appendixes include references and medical bibliographies published since 1500. Author index to bibliographies and general index.
- Ref CENTENARY OF INDEX MEDICUS, 1879-1979. Edited by John B. Blake.  
Z Bethesda, Maryland, U. S. National Library of Medicine,  
695.9 1980. 115 p.  
C397  
1979 Eight articles that deal with medicine and bibliography, physicians and books. All articles were presented in a program held at the National Library of Medicine in May, 1979. Notes, with references, follow articles.



## V. BOOKS

## A. World

Ref        Ackerknecht, Erwin H. A SHORT HISTORY OF MEDICINE. Rev.  
WZ                ed. Baltimore, Johns Hopkins University Press, 1982.  
40                277 p.

A182s  
1982

Brief, revised history that includes additions and corrections, particularly in the last part of the book, to reflect advances in medicine during the 1960's and 1970's. Also includes chapters on a rationale for the study of medical history and twentieth century trends. Gives Nobel laureates in medicine and physiology, 1901-1981, and suggestions for further reading. Index.

Ref        Castiglioni, Arturo. A HISTORY OF MEDICINE. Translated  
WZ                from the Italian and edited by E. B. Krumbhaar.  
40                2nd ed., rev. and enl. New York, Knopf, 1947.  
C351s            1,192 p.

1947

Comprehensive, readable history discussed, for the most part, by periods, Strong in Greek and Roman periods; also contains a chapter on medicine in China, Korea, and Japan. Lists 504 illustrations used in the text. Chapter references. Subject and name indexes.

Ref        Garrison, Fielding H. AN INTRODUCTION TO THE HISTORY OF  
WZ                MEDICINE WITH MEDICAL CHRONOLOGY, SUGGESTIONS FOR  
40                STUDY AND BIBLIOGRAPHIC DATA. 4th ed., rev. and  
G242i            enl. Philadelphia, Saunders, 1929. 996 p.

1929

Comprehensive, encyclopedic textbook that covers medicine from prehistory through the 1920's. Contains fourteen chapters on broad topics based on geographical locations (e. g., Egyptian medicine), or chronology (e. g., the seventeenth century). Appendixes include medical chronology, notes on the study of medical history, bibliographic notes, and questions and answers. Name and subject indexes.

Ref        Major, Ralph H. A HISTORY OF MEDICINE. Springfield,  
WZ                Illinois, Thomas, 1954. 2 v.

40

M234h  
1954

Comprehensive textbook intended for medical students and medical practitioners, rather than for medical historians. Biographical addenda appear at the ends of sections. Bibliography corresponds to chapters. Name and subject indexes.

Ref Singer, Charles J., and Edgar A. Underwood. A SHORT HISTORY  
WZ OF MEDICINE. 2nd ed. Oxford, Clarendon, 1962. 854 p.  
40  
S617s Although Underwood's intention was to maintain Singer's  
1962 original form of the 1928 text as much as possible,  
certain alterations were necessary, and the information  
on the nineteenth and twentieth centuries was rewritten  
and expanded. Focuses on the scientific aspects of  
medicine, as well as on selected clinical specialties.  
Contains references. Indexes for persons, subjects,  
and places.

## V. BOOKS

## B. United States

- Ref ADVANCES IN AMERICAN MEDICINE: ESSAYS AT THE BICENTENNIAL.  
WZ Edited by John Z. Bowers and Elizabeth F. Purcell.  
70 New York, Josiah Macy, Jr., Foundation, 1976. 2 v.  
AA1  
A2 Nineteen essays that reflect the broad interdisci-  
1976 plinary nature of American medicine today.  
Bibliographies appear at ends of chapters. Name  
and subject indexes.
- Ref Blake, John B., W. N. Hubbard, Jr., and Philip Handler. EPILOGUE:  
WZ ESSAYS AT THE BICENTENNIAL OF MEDICINE IN THE UNITED STATES.  
70 Bethesda, Maryland, U. S. National Library of Medicine, 1976.  
AA1 33 p.  
B5  
1976  
Three essays that deal with the development and present  
status of medicine, as well as the role of the medical  
library. All papers were previously presented orally.
- Ref Bordley, James, III., and A. M. Harvey. TWO CENTURIES OF AMERICAN  
WZ MEDICINE, 1776-1976. Philadelphia, Saunders, 1976. 844 p.  
70  
AA1 The authors intended to relate for laymen and  
B6t physicians alike the advances between 1776 and 1976  
1976 (1) in medical education and (2) in prevention and  
treatment of disease. Contains a chronology of  
major events in American medical history and chapter  
references. Index.
- Ref Furman, Bess. A PROFILE OF THE UNITED STATES PUBLIC HEALTH  
WA SERVICE, 1798-1948. In consultation with Ralph C.  
1 Williams. Bethesda, Maryland, U. S. National Library  
F986p of Medicine, 1973. 487 p.  
1973  
History characterized by "simple, informal, and some-  
times discursive writing." Besides research, author  
also based story on personal interviews with leaders  
in recent Public Health Service history. Bibliography.  
Name and subject indexes.



Ref Miles, Wyndham D. A HISTORY OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF  
 Z MEDICINE: THE NATION'S TREASURY OF MEDICAL KNOWLEDGE.  
 733.N277 Bethesda, Maryland, U. S. National Library of Medicine,  
 M643h 1982. 531 p.  
 1982

Comprehensive history that covers NLM's growth from the early nineteenth century collection to its present status as an international biomedical library and information center. Appendixes list honors, statistics, members of the Board of Regents, selected chronology, sources of information, acknowledgements, and abbreviations.

Ref Packard, Francis R. HISTORY OF MEDICINE IN THE  
 WZ UNITED STATES. New ed. New York, Hoeber, 1931. 2 v.  
 70

AA1 Based on secondary sources, for the most part.  
 P1h Contains eleven miscellaneous appendixes and biblio-  
 1931 graphy, as well as a chapter on pre-Revolutionary  
 medical publications. Name and subject indexes.

Ref Starr, Paul. THE SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION OF AMERICAN  
 WZ MEDICINE. New York, Basic Books, 1982. 514 p.  
 70

AA1 Discusses the development of American medicine in  
 S7s terms of "first, the rise of professional sovereignty;  
 1982 and second, the transformation of medicine into an  
 industry and the growing. . . role of corporations and  
 the state." Author attempted to interpret medicine  
 within the broader economic, cultural, and political  
 contexts of the country. Chapter references. Index.

Ref Williams, Ralph C. THE UNITED STATES PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE,  
 WA 1798-1950. Washington, District of Columbia, Commissioned  
 1 Officers. Association of the United States Public Health Service,  
 U58W 1951. 890 p.  
 1951

"Brief history of the origin, evolution, organization, and activities of the Public Health Service since its establishment in 1798." Scholarly and factual. Index.

## VI. BIOGRAPHICAL DIRECTORIES

The general Reading Room offers a rich collection of biographical reference tools both general and specific, current and retrospective. The following highly selected titles are specific for medicine and also science and technology. Please see the ends of these two lists of biographical directories for titles and call numbers of selected general tools.

## A. Medicine

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| Ref<br>WZ<br>140<br>AA1<br>A8p<br>1878 | Atkinson, William B. THE PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF THE UNITED STATES. Philadelphia, Robson, 1878. 788 p.   |
|  | Directory of medical doctors that includes "all professors, hospital physicians and surgeons, officers of the more important medical societies and authors, together with those who by length of service or success in the profession had become of eminence." Contains some portraits. Name, geographical, and analytical indexes.   |
| Ref<br>ZWZ<br>112<br>H745m<br>1981     | Holloway, Lisabeth M., Ernest N. Feind, and George N. Holloway. MEDICAL OBITUARIES: AMERICAN PHYSICIAN'S BIOGRAPHICAL NOTICES IN SELECTED MEDICAL JOURNALS BEFORE 1907. New York, Garland, 1981. 513 p.   |
|  | Lists 17,350 physicians. Although biographical information was taken primarily from obituary notices in periodicals, other sources were also used, such as medical school and alumni registers, society transactions, and proceedings. Alphabetical arrangement by names. Each entry gives available personal, educational, and professional information, as well as the periodical or other source. Contains a list of principle sources.  |
| WZ<br>140<br>AA1<br>K2C<br>1928        | Kelly, Howard A., and Walter L. Burrage. DICTIONARY OF AMERICAN MEDICAL BIOGRAPHY; LIVES OF EMINENT PHYSICIANS OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA, FROM THE EARLIEST TIMES. New York, Appleton, 1928. 1,364 p.   |
|  | Over 2,000 biographical sketches of deceased physicians from the United States and Canada "who have done the noteworthy" as of January 1, 1927. Previous editions appeared in 1912 and 1920. Contains (1) a list of sources consulted and (2) an index of names of living and dead Americans mentioned, but without full entries. A new edition, revised and expanded, is in preparation and has been described bibliographically as follows:<br>DICTIONARY OF AMERICAN MEDICAL BIOGRAPHY. Edited by Martin |

- Ref AS 911 S724n 1967 Sourkes, Theodore L. NOBEL PRIZE WINNERS IN MEDICINE AND PHYSIOLOGY, 1901-1965. New York, Abelard-Schuman, 1966. 464 p.  
Chronological listing of prize winners. Each entry gives a brief statement of the work that won the winner the Nobel Prize, a biographical sketch, a description of the work in the recipient's own words, a brief statement of the theoretical and practical consequences of the work, and several references. Classified list of awards and general index.
- Ref WZ 140 AA1 S8b 1898 Stone, Richard F., editor. BIOGRAPHY OF EMINENT AMERICAN PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS. 2nd rev. and enl. ed. Indianapolis, Hollenbeck, 1898. 857 p.  
Illustrious physicians and surgeons from colonial days on. Includes many nineteenth century living persons. Certain entries were derived from Watson's PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF AMERICA . . ., 1896. Many portraits.
- Ref WZ 112 T142b 1970 Talbott, John H. A BIOGRAPHICAL HISTORY OF MEDICINE; EXCERPTS AND ESSAYS ON THE MEN AND THEIR WORK. New York, Grune & Stratton, 1970. 1,211 p.  
Revised and expanded versions of biographical essays that originally appeared in JAMA. Includes some persons living in the twentieth century, although most people included lived before that time. Each entry concludes with references; many entries are illustrated. Contains name and subject indexes.
- Ref WZ 140 AA1 W3p 1896 Watson, Irving A., editor. PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF AMERICA. . . A COLLECTION OF BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF THE REGULAR MEDICAL PROFESSION. Concord, New Hampshire, Republican Press Association, 1896. 843 p.  
"All classes of reputable regular practitioners, belonging to accredited medical societies, have been recognized, from the ablest and most eminent to the unassuming country physician. . . almost wholly a record of men now living." Contains many photographs. Alphabetical name and geographical indexes.

See also:

- AMERICAN MEDICAL DIRECTORY (W 22 AA1 qA512)  
1927-present (Ref)  
1906-1927 (general collection)  
DIRECTORY OF MEDICAL SPECIALISTS (W 22 DA2 D5982)  
Most recent edition (Ref)  
Previous editions, starting with 1940  
(general collection)



## VI. BIOGRAPHICAL DIRECTORIES

## B. Science and Technology

- Ref Asimov, Isaac. ASIMOV'S BIOGRAPHICAL ENCYCLOPEDIA OF  
WZ SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY: THE LIVES AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF  
112 1510 GREAT SCIENTISTS FROM ANCIENT TIMES TO THE  
A832a PRESENT, CHRONOLOGICALLY ARRANGED. 2nd rev. ed.  
1982 Garden City, New York, Doubleday, 1982. 941 p.

Each numbered entry gives short to lengthy biographical information. Most biographies from previous editions have been expanded as new information became available to author. Subject and name index.

- Ref Barr, E. Scott. AN INDEX TO BIOGRAPHICAL FRAGMENTS IN  
Q UNSPECIALIZED SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS. University,  
141 Alabama, University of Alabama Press, 1973. 294 p.  
B268i  
1973
- Guide to locating biographical information and contemporary comment concerning distinguished persons who, prior to about 1920, were active in the sciences. About 15,000 biographical citations about some 7,700 scientists, most of whom were well known among their contemporaries but are "now seen in perspective, of second-order importance." Sources were English-language, general scientific journals (seven titles). Alphabetical name arrangement. Entries include name, dates, and journal sources. Correlation tables show complete volumes and dates of journals.

- Ref A BIOGRAPHICAL DICTIONARY OF SCIENTISTS. Edited by Trevor  
Q I. Williams. 3rd ed. London, A. & C. Black, 1982.  
141 674 p.  
B615  
1982
- Approximately 1,200 scientists, no longer living, from earliest time to present. Intended for general readers, as well as for students. Both footnotes and chronological tables have been expanded from the second edition. Alphabetical arrangement by names. Initialed entries include lengthy biographical information and references. Appendixes of anniversary dates and of scientists mentioned in book but not in full biographical entries. Includes subject index to topics of major importance. First edition, 1969; second edition, 1974.

Ref Q 141 D554      DICTIONARY OF SCIENTIFIC BIOGRAPHY. Edited by Charles C. Gillispie.  
New York, Scribner, 1970-1980. 15 v. and index.

Issued under the auspices of the American Council of Learned Societies. Lengthy biographical entries for deceased persons "whose contributions to science were sufficiently distinctive to make an identifiable difference to the professions or community of knowledge." International coverage, including scientists throughout history. Focuses on the scientific field of mathematics, astronomy, physics, chemistry, biology, and the earth sciences. Each entry includes signed article and bibliography. Index volume includes detailed index and lists of contributors, societies indexed, periodicals indexed, and scientists by field.

Ref Q 149.U5 W628 1976      WHO WAS WHO IN AMERICAN HISTORY -- SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY:  
A COMPONENT OF WHO'S WHO IN AMERICAN HISTORY.  
76 bicentennial ed. Chicago, Marquis Who's Who, 1976. 688 p.

Approximately 9,500 biographical entries to prominent deceased Americans. Much of the information was taken from the last entry that appeared during the person's lifetime. Covers colonial days to mid-1973. Each entry gives life and death information, personal, educational, and professional details.

Ref Q 145 W927 1968      WORLD WHO'S WHO IN SCIENCE; A BIOGRAPHICAL DICTIONARY OF NOTABLE  
SCIENTISTS FROM ANTIQUITY TO THE PRESENT. Edited by Allen  
G. Debus. Chicago, Marquis Who's Who, 1968. 1,855 p.

Approximately 30,000 biographical sketches of persons who were selected on the basis of their scientific contributions. Contains many living scientists.

See also:

CHAMBERS BIOGRAPHICAL DICTIONARY (Ref CT 120 C444 1961)  
DICTIONARY OF AMERICAN BIOGRAPHY, 1928-1958 and supplements  
(Ref E 176 D554)  
DICTIONARY OF NATIONAL BIOGRAPHY and supplements  
(Ref CT 773 D554)  
HISTORICAL BIOGRAPHICAL DICTIONARIES MASTER INDEX  
(Ref Z 5305.U5 H673 1980)  
McGRAW-HILL ENCYCLOPEDIA OF WORLD BIOGRAPHY (REF CT 103 M147 1973)  
NEW CENTURY CYCLOPEDIA OF NAMES (Ref PE 1625 C397 1954)  
NEW YORK TIMES OBITUARIES INDEX, 1858-1968; also 1969-1978  
(Ref CT 213 N532)  
NOTABLE AMERICAN WOMEN, 1607-1950, and supplements (Ref CT 3260 N899)  
WHO WAS WHO IN AMERICA, 1897, 1942, and succeeding volumes  
(Ref E 176 W6281)

## VII. DICTIONARIES AND ENCYCLOPEDIAS

- Ref        DICTIONARY OF THE HISTORY OF SCIENCE. Edited by W. F. Bynum, E. J.  
Q        Browne, and Roy Porter. Princeton, New Jersey, Princeton  
125       University Press, 1981. 494 p.  
D554u  
1981       Dictionary of the concepts or ideas that characterized the  
          core features of recent Western science. Focuses on the  
          last five centuries. There is emphasis on historiography  
          and the philosophical and metaphysical principles of  
          science, as well as "those parts of the social and human  
          sciences historically most closely linked with the natural  
          sciences." No biographical entries. Entries are lengthy  
          and contain references and authors' initials. Many cross  
          references. Biographical index.
- Ref        Jablonski, Stanley. ILLUSTRATED DICTIONARY OF EPONYMIC SYNDROMES  
WB        AND DISEASES AND THEIR SYNONYMS. Philadelphia, Saunders,  
15        1969. 355 p.  
J13i  
1969       Alphabetical listing of some 10,000 eponymic names of path-  
          ological conditions. Each entry consists of eponym,  
          synonyms, definition, and original (or other) citation.  
          Many cross references. Photographs.
- Ref        Kane, Joseph N. FAMOUS FIRST FACTS: A RECORD OF FIRST  
AG        HAPPENINGS, DISCOVERIES, AND INVENTIONS IN AMERICAN HISTORY.  
5        4th ed. New York, H. W. Wilson, 1981. 1,350 p.  
K16f  
1981       Over 9,000 firsts in American history. Refers to both people  
          and events in the United States. Indexes by years, days,  
          names, and geographically by states.
- Ref        Kelly, Emerson C. ENCYCLOPEDIA OF MEDICAL SOURCES.  
W        Baltimore, Williams & Wilkins, 1948. 476 p.  
13  
K29e       Alphabetical listing of persons for whom medical eponyms  
1948       have been named. Each entry gives name, medical identity,  
          dates, notes, and eponym or eponyms with definition(s) and  
          original or best source(s). Subject index.



- Ref      Lourie, J. A. MEDICAL EPONYMS: WHO WAS COUDÉ? London, Pitman,  
W           1982. 207 p.  
13  
L892m      Approximately 550 entries to medical eponyms that derive from  
1982       history to contemporary times. Each entry gives dates, the  
          eponym, brief statement, and person's position. Original  
          sources are not given. Alphabetical arrangement. Bibliography.
- Ref      Schmidt, Jacob E. MEDICAL DISCOVERIES: WHO AND WHEN. A  
WZ        DICTIONARY LISTING THOUSANDS OF MEDICAL AND RELATED SCIENTIFIC  
13        DISCOVERIES IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER, GIVING IN EACH CASE THE NAME  
S352m     OF THE DISCOVERER, HIS PROFESSION, NATIONALITY, AND FLORUIT,  
1959       AND THE DATE OF THE DISCOVERY. Springfield, Illinois, Thomas,  
          1959. 555 p.
- Over 6,000 entries referring to the original use of various  
methods, operations, concepts, etc., in medicine and related  
sciences. Many cross references.

## VIII. STATISTICS

HA Dodd, Donald B., and Wynelle S. Dodd. HISTORICAL STATISTICS OF THE  
218 SOUTH, 1790-1970. A COMPILATION OF STATE-LEVEL CENSUS  
D639h STATISTICS FOR THE SIXTEEN STATES OF ALABAMA, ARKANSAS, DELAWARE,  
1973 FLORIDA, GEORGIA, KENTUCKY, LOUISIANA, MARYLAND, MISSISSIPPI,  
NORTH CAROLINA, OKLAHOMA, SOUTH CAROLINA, TENNESSEE, TEXAS,  
VIRGINIA, WEST VIRGINIA. University, Alabama, University of  
Alabama Press, 1973. 85 p.

Statistics compiled from both state-level and national census data. Statistics every ten years for forty-eight items are given for each state. Along with some figures that do not exist for certain items, the 1870 census of population is known to be incomplete in the South. Glossary.

Ref Mitchell, Brian R. EUROPEAN HISTORICAL STATISTICS, 1750-1970.  
HA New York, Columbia University Press, 1976. 827 p.  
1107  
M681e Classified listing of tables of available statistics by  
1975 twenty-three countries, including a section on population and vital statistics. No index. (A new edition covering 1750-1975 is on order.)

Ref United States. Bureau of the Census. THE STATISTICAL HISTORY  
HA OF THE UNITED STATES FROM COLONIAL TIMES TO THE PRESENT.  
202 Introduction and user's guide by Ben J. Wattenberg.  
A1.1 New York, Basic Books, 1976. 1,235 p.  
1970

"Historical Statistics of the United States, Colonial Times to 1970, prepared by the United States Bureau of the Census." Twenty-four chapters that give available statistics throughout American history, including a chapter on vital statistics, health, and medical care. Lists by name contributors and agencies that provided information, as well as explanations of statistics. Contains time period and subject indexes.

## IX. JOURNALS

The following is a selected list of English-language journals. They are located in the general collection, and they are indexed in INDEX MEDICUS.

W1 BULLETIN OF THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE. Baltimore, The Johns Hopkins  
BU85X University Press, v. 7, 1939- . Quarterly.

The official organ of the American Association for the History of Medicine.

An index titled FIFTY YEAR INDEX TO THE BULLETIN OF THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE, 1933-1982, was prepared in the History of Medicine Division and was published in 1983.

W1 JOURNAL OF THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE AND ALLIED SCIENCES. New Haven,  
J0928Q Connecticut, v. 1, 1946- . Quarterly.

"Publishes work relating to all aspects of the history of medicine and of the various sciences impinging on it." Originally published by the Department of the History of Science and Medicine, Yale University, this journal is now published from the Section of Medical History, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences.

W1 MEDICAL HISTORY; A QUARTERLY JOURNAL DEVOTED TO THE HISTORY OF  
ME338 MEDICINE AND RELATED SCIENCES. London, The Wellcome Institute for the History of Medicine, v. 1, 1957- . Quarterly.

"Devoted to all aspects of the history of medicine, but is concerned primarily with the evolution of scientific and social concepts in medicine, as well as with the many disciplines such as economics, ethnology, literature, philosophy, politics, theology, science, technology, etc., that impinge upon it."



## X. ORGANIZATIONS

## American Association for the History of Medicine

Department of Medicine  
University of Rochester Medical Center  
601 Elmwood Avenue  
Rochester, New York 14642

Founded in 1925. Approximately 1,350 members. Membership includes physicians and others interested in the history of medicine. Maintains formal relationships with International Society for the History of Medicine, as well as with other national and affiliated societies. The BULLETIN OF THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE is the official journal of the organization.

## International Society of the History of Medicine

Lotissement Les Rêves  
22, Rue François Villeneuve  
F-34000 Montpellier, France

Established in 1921. Approximately 750 members representing fifty-four countries. The purpose of the organization is to study all aspects of the history of medicine and related sciences. It meets every two years in various places and publishes the proceedings of the Congress.

## Washington Society for the History of Medicine

History of Medicine Division  
National Library of Medicine  
8600 Rockville Pike  
Bethesda, Maryland 20209  
(301) 496-5405

The local affiliate of the American Association for the History of Medicine. Approximately 200 members. The membership includes historians, physicians, librarians, and other persons interested in the history of medicine. The group meets four times a year at the National Library of Medicine for formal talks and discussion, and once for an annual dinner.

## XI. COMPUTER DATABASES

NLM makes available various computer databases related to biomedicine and health. Numerous libraries and other sites through the United States and the world provide access to the databases. NLM's Reference Section generally provides searching only for those individuals within the Library's immediate geographic vicinity who do not have access to the system through their organization or school. The following files contain items of interest in the history of medicine.

### CATLINE

Includes all monographs cataloged by NLM since 1801 and some earlier imprints. Pre-1801 titles not cited in CATLINE might be located in the History of Medicine Division. Also includes serial titles. The printed version of CATLINE since 1966 is the NATIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE CURRENT CATALOG. MEDICAL SUBJECT HEADINGS (MeSH) and textwords are used for searching. Updated weekly. Library users may search CATLINE themselves on terminals available in the catalog area.

### HISTLINE

Online database of literature published for the most part since 1970, with a few citations since 1964. References in HISTLINE are to monographs, journal articles, meetings, and miscellaneous publications from the annually printed BIBLIOGRAPHY OF THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE. International in coverage, "The scope includes the history of medicine and related sciences. professions, individuals, institutions, drugs and diseases of given chronological periods and geographical areas." The sources of the titles in HISTLINE are INDEX MEDICUS, CURRENT CATALOG, history of medicine and science journals, and current publications from various fields such as general history and classics. MeSH, certain special terms, and textwords are used to search the database. Updated monthly.

### MEDLINE

Includes current journal articles on the history of medicine. Of 2,695 journals indexed, fourteen are scanned either cover-to-cover or selectively for historical articles. The printed counterpart of MEDLINE is monthly INDEX MEDICUS and the annual CUMULATED INDEX MEDICUS. The MEDLINE holdings for the history of medicine are also included in HISTLINE. MeSH and textwords are used for searching. Updated monthly.





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